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No. 1137-A.—The Government of India deeply regret to record the tragic death of Brig. Mohamad Usman, killed in action in Kashmir in the early hours of the morning of 1st July 1948.

2. Brig. Usman was educated at Sandhurst, was commissioned in the Indian Army in 1933, and saw active service in the 1936 Mahratta Expedition and during the last war in Iraq and Burma. During the disorders in the Punjab last year, Brig. Usman was at Multan and rendered excellent service in helping the refugees.

3. In the Kashmir operations, Brig. Usman was serving in a difficult sector in the Jammu province in command of a mixed force of Muslims, Jats, Mahrattas, Madrassis, Sikhs and Christians. He was a brilliant and fearless leader and was in command of the operations that led to the recapture of Naushahra and Jhangar, in the face of stubborn and violent opposition by the enemy. Brig. Usman took a keen interest in rehabilitating the civil population and restoring civic life in liberated areas.

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